

Governor's Council on Substance Abuse 2005-07 Legislative and Policy Action Recommendations

1. 2005 Budget Enhancement Priorities

Priority 1: Community Mobilization Against Substance Abuse And

Violence Program.

Priority 2: Crime Lab Capacity.

Priority 3: Residential Chemical Dependency Treatment

for Pregnant and Parenting Women.

Priority 4: Chemical Dependency Treatment for Youth

with Co-occurring Disorders.

Priority 5: Court supervised & Criminal Justice-Based

Chemical Dependency Treatment.

2. <u>2005 Legislative and Policy Action Pri</u>orities

- A. Continue the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse.
- B. Increase taxes on alcohol.
 - o As an environmental strategy to reduce use, and
 - As revenue for substance abuse prevention, treatment and justicerelated programs.
- C. Support Governor Locke budget proposal to fill the treatment gap for chemical dependency services.
- D. Work cooperatively with retailers for workable solutions to restrict access to Meth precursors.
- E. Support federal legislation to address Methamphetamine impacts.
- F. Support implementation of the We Care Matrix for Drug Endangered Children.
- G. Enforce underage drinking laws.

3. Advocacy Issues

- A. TANF benefits for convicted drug offenders.
- B. Increase support for substance abuse prevention programs.
- C. Ban tobacco sampling.
- D. Support federal underage drinking legislation.

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